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For: METHOD OF PRODUCING FINE PARTICLES OF METAL OXIDE

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- ☒ 2. Relevance of the non-English language reference is discussed in the present specification.

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- ☒ Formal drawings (Figs. 1-3; 3 sheets) are attached.
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- ☒ Priority of foreign applications No. 2000-399199 filed December 27, 2000 in JAPAN and No. 2001-290782 filed September 25, 2001 in JAPAN are claimed (35 U.S.C. §119).
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